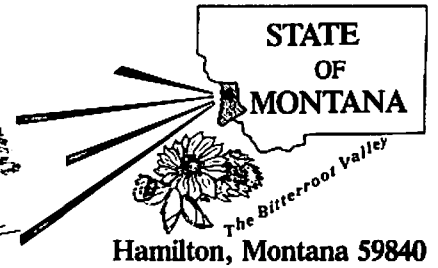
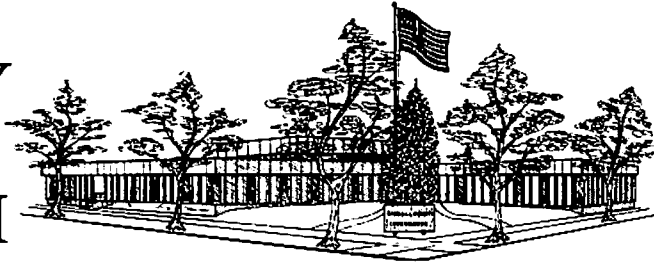


# COUNTY OF RAVALLI



**Ravalli County Commissioners  
215 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite A  
Hamilton, MT 59840**

June 16, 2008

Anita L. Kirschten  
633 Stevi Airport Road  
Stevensville, MT 59870

RE: Illinois Bench and Stevi Airport Road Intersection

Dear Ms. Kirschten:

In response to your recent letter to the Commissioners and Mr. Corn, the Commissioners requested a response from the County Road & Bridge Supervisor David Ohnstad. It reads as follows:

“This is the private roadway extending east of the intersection of Stevensville Airport Road and Illinois Bench Road. The intersection is currently of poor design - very wide and poorly controlled. We will analyze further and address some of that issue when we rehabilitate the Stevensville Airport Road this summer. It does not provide access to the airport, only to private residential property. We require STOP signs for new subdivisions and other access to county roadways but do not pay for that signage or for replacements – there are a tremendous number of these installations throughout the county. The manual does not establish responsibility for ownership of signs and I am not aware of any statutory requirement for the county to replace signs on private approaches.”

If the road owners would like to put up a sign, they may contact Mike Nichols at the County Road & Bridge Department to order one (363-2733). They may also wish to hire them to install it at an established rate.

If you have any further questions, please contact the County Road & Bridge Department at 363-2733.

Sincerely,

Beth Perkins  
Secretary for  
Ravalli County Commissioners